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"Closing the beaches doesn't cost anyone money" - this claim is entirely incorrect. I will now explain why: a thread.

Our economy is compiled from numerous industries that have countless forward and backward linkages with each other. If one is damaged, all are damaged. 1/6

The beach isn't just a piece of sand between sea and land: it is a productive input, a venue, and a reason of existence for numerous businesses. From hotels, to guest houses, to restaurants, to adventure and sport companies, to touring companies: all rely on open beaches. 2/6

Empty hotels, restaurants, and other tourism-related companies that have all lost business because of closed beaches mean no income for them. They cannot pay suppliers, and other industries that rely on them also don't make money: airlines, tour companies, car rentals etc. 3/6

This means owners and employees on paycuts and layoffs who cannot pay their own bills, causing a further knock-on effect in other industries not directly connected with tourism or hospitality at all. Suppliers and clients are equally out of pocket. 4/6

The economy is a vibrant, complex creature: you cannot shut individual organs down and expect it to function. In fact, there are significant and severe consequences for this type of governmental meddling in a fragile and complicated ecosystem. 5/6

Thus, you cannot just close the beaches and think people aren't deeply and severely impacted by it. It leads to massive losses in income, inability to service costs, unemployment, and a debilitating multiplier effect felt across numerous industries. 6/6